



Lutton St Nicholas Primary Academy
Marriots Gate, Lutton, PE12 9HN

Year 6 London trip – February 2025

Monday 23rd June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to announce that we are once again offering a residential visit to London this year for both Year 5/6 children in February 2025. Following a review of the residential, we have made the decision to change our approach to residential meaning that there will now be alternate trips held each year. We've made this decision to provide an opportunity for the children each year and reduce the overall cost of each trip as we appreciate that times are tough for many of our families in today's climate.

Next year, our intention is to complete the London residential. The following year, we propose visiting a centre such as PGL or Kingswood (based on costings) and would alternate between these trips each year. We have also made some amendments to the London trip based on costings and on pupil feedback. With this in mind, we have reduced the London residential from 2 nights to 1 night based on pupils' energy levels but have made sure that both days are very busy and full so that children don't miss out on any opportunities.

The proposed dates for this trip are Friday 6th – Saturday 7th February 2025.

Friday 6th February

7:45am – **Arrival at school:** Pupils to arrive and have luggage placed on the coach, ready to depart at 8:00am

12:30pm – **Tower of London visit:** an exploration of one of the world's most famous fortresses, its secrets and the vaults containing many priceless jewels.

3:00pm – **Imperial War Museum London:** An opportunity linked to our World War 2 topic to understand the courses and consequences of World War 2 as well as explore artefacts from the time.

5:30pm – **Restaurant meal:** 2 course meal and drink included. Venue and further details to be confirmed upon booking.

8:00pm – **Youth Hostel Association (YHA) Thameside:** a local venue for accommodation that has previously been used by the school and received positive feedback.

Saturday 7th February

8:00am – **Breakfast at YHA:** Included as part of our accommodation alongside packed lunch options (to be booked prior to the visit).

10:00am – **Science Museum, London:** A varied museum full of scientific wonders and start of the art exhibits.

12:30pm – **Covent Garden:** An enjoyable stroll around Theatreland including the opportunity to see street performers and other entertainment.

2:30pm – **West End Show Production:** A visit to a well-known London show. We are currently awaiting confirmation on the specific show but intend to gain pupil views ahead of booking.

5:30pm – **Restaurant meal:** 2 course meal and drink included. Venue and further details to be confirmed upon booking.

22:30 – **Arrival at school:** Updates on timings and key information would be provided via MCAS to keep you posted on any key information.

We have estimated the number of children who are likely to take up this opportunity based on pupils from our school and Cowbit St Mary's Primary attending and anticipate that the cost will be approximately £355. This is a reduction in cost on previous years but quotes from various companies identified a 2-day trip in today's climate as costing in excess of £450 which we did not feel was appropriate, especially given past pupils' fatigue on the second day.

Whilst we would much prefer to give you an exact cost, we are unfortunately unable to do so as the cost varies depending on the number of children who would like to go. The more children who go then essentially the cheaper the overall cost to all. Once we know exactly how many children would like to go then we can confirm whether the

trip is financially viable as well as the exact cost of the trip. Take up of this trip for the last 2 years has been good and we very much hope that we are able to run it again.

If you would like a place for your child, then please complete the form below

<https://forms.office.com/e/8JbBz1XWgk>

So that we can gauge the level of interest and calculate a specific cost for the trip. Once we know whether the trip is viable a deposit of £50 will then be required by via Bromcom. Further information will be sent out soon, but in the meantime if you have any questions, please contact Mr Perrin or Mr Wilson.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Perrin